

**In the Specification:**

Please amend the Paragraph beginning at Page 20, line 16, as follows:

Fig. 10 is ~~an isometric~~ a plane view of a balloon catheter 1000 with expansion rods 1030 in accordance with an exemplary embodiment of the invention, that facilitates fine adjustments in the configuration of a flow reducing implant 700 shown in a longitudinal section. In an exemplary embodiment, balloon catheter 1000 comprises a balloon 1010 connected to a hose 1020 that inflates and/or deflates balloon 1010.

Please amend the Paragraph beginning at Page 29, line 23, as follows:

Fig. 11 is ~~an isometric~~ a plane view of a spring ballast 1100 and a longitudinal section of a step type flow reducing implant 1180 in accordance with an exemplary embodiment of the invention. Spring ballast 1100 comprises spring rods 1130 that are, for example curved and attached to each other at least one end 1192. In an exemplary embodiment, spring rods 1130 expand radially outward upon exiting catheter 122. In an exemplary embodiment, catheter 122 is placed at narrow passage 114 of step type flow reducing implant 1180. Spring ballast 1100 exits catheter 122, passes through narrow passage 114 past a rear passage 1156 into coronary sinus 110 with post implant diameter 118.